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SUBJ: UNIDO MODIFIED PROGRAM/BUDGET FOR 1976-77

BEGIN SUMMARY. PURSUANT TO IDB RESOLUTION 45 (IX) UNIDO SECRETARIAT HAS SUBMITTED MODIFICATIONS TO THE PROGRAM BUDGET FOR 1976-77 TO UNNY WHICH SET FORTH PROPOSED FOLLOW-UP TO LIMA PLAN OF ACTION. ACCORDING TO AFIFI (UNIDO SENIOR ADVISER) PROPOSED MODIFICATIONS HAVE BEEN ACCEPTED BY SYG AND WILL BE ISSUED AS ADDENDUM TO A/10006 CONTAINING UNIDO PROGRAM/BUDGET FOR THE NEXT BIENNIUM PREPARED PRIOR TO LIMA CONFERENCE. FOLLOWING INFORMATION AND COMMENT BASED ON COPY OF DRAFT ADDENDUM OBTAINED UNOFFICIALLY FROM UNIDO SECRETARIAT. END SUMMARY.

1. PROPOSED MODIFICATIONS TO UNIDO 1966-67 PROGRAM/BUDGET WOULD ADD \$3.57 MILLION TO PREVIOUS UNIDO ESTIMATES FOR BIENNIUM OF \$44,978,600 CONTAINED IN A/10006 FOR A NEW TWO-YEAR TOTAL OF \$48,547,600. MODIFICATIONS APPEAR TO CONSIST SOLELY OF ADD-ONS TO PROGRAM/BUDGET PRESENTED TO IDB-IX JUSTIFIED AS FOLLOW-UP OF
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LIMA DECISIONS WITH NO ATTEMPT TO OFFSET THESE EVEN PARTIALLY BY

CULLING OUT LOWER PRIORITY ACTIVITIES FROM PROGRAM OF WORK FOR 1976-77 PREPARED PRIOR TO LIMA CONFERENCE.

2. AS REGARDS SENIOR POSTS IN UNIDO, ADDENDUM CALLS FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF THREE NEW POSTS OF DEPUTY EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AT ASG LEVEL AND ONE NEW D-1 POST. NOT CLEAR WHETHER ASG POSTS WOULD REPRESENT UPGRADING OF THREE EXISTING D-2 POSITIONS OR ARE SIMPLY ADDITIONS TO EXISTING STRUCTURE. DOCUMENT PROVIDES NO REAL PROGRAM JUSTIFICATION FOR THIS PROPOSAL, STATING ONLY THAT THE NEW POSTS WILL BE REQUIRED TO RESTRUCTURE AND STRENGTHEN THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTION AND MANAGEMENT OF UNIDO. THIS "RESTRUCTURING" WOULD ADD \$297,000 TO 1976-77 STAFF COSTS.

3. PROPOSED NEW PROGRAM ACTIVITIES BREAK DOWN AS FOLLOWS (COSTS IN PARENTHESES ARE FOR 1976-77).

(A) GLOBAL, REGIONAL AND SECTORAL CONSULTATIONS (\$879,000),

(B) AID TO LEASE DEVELOPED, LAND-LOCKED AND ISLAND COUNTRIES (\$615,000),

(C) DEVELOPMENT OF APPROPRIATE INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGY (\$1,015,000),

(D) ADDITIONAL STUDIES AND RESEARCH ON INDUSTRIAL TRAINING REQUIREMENTS IN LDCS, NEED FOR AN INFORMATION BANK (PARA 61K OF LIMA PLAN OF ACTION), IMPLICATIONS OF THE LIMA 25 PERCENT TARGET, AND INSTITUTIONAL INFRASTRUCTURE REQUIREMENTS IN LDCS (\$694,000),

(E) INTER-AGENCY ADVISORY COMMITTEE (\$69,000).

4. UNDER 3(B) AND (C) ABOVE UNIDO SECRETARIAT PROPOSES INTER ALIA (A) TO RESEARCH AND ESTABLISH TWO PILOT CENTERS FOR FOOD PROCESSING; COST OF TWO CENTERS ESTIMATED AT \$1,450,000 OF WHICH \$450,000 ASKED FROM REGULAR BUDGET; (B) TO INITIATE A GLOBAL RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM TO DEVELOP EASY-CARE, FLAME RETARDANT AND SOIL RESISTANT PROPERTIES FOR COTTON TEXTILES TO IMPROVE THEIR COMPETITIVE POSITION VIS-A-VIS SYNTHETIC SUBSTITUTES (\$500,000); (C) TO INITIATE A GLOBAL PROGRAM OF RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT TO DESIGN AND MANUFACTURE A PROTOTYPE LOW-COST RICE BRAN STABILIZER LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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TO AVOID DETERIORATION DURING STORAGE AND TRANSPORT (\$470,000). OF THESE PROPOSED ACTIVITIES THE ESTABLISHMENT OF PILOT FOOD-PROCESSING CENTERS WOULD APPEAR TO FALL WITHIN THE CATEGORY OF TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE ACTIVITIES WHICH WE HAVE CONSISTENTLY OPPOSED IN UNIDO FOR FINANCING FROM THE REGULAR BUDGET. THE QUESTION WHETHER RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS IN COTTON TEXTILES AND RICE BRAN STABILIZERS SHOULD BE FINANCED FROM THE REGULAR BUDGET WOULD ALSO APPEAR TO REQUIRE CONSIDERATION.

5. WE UNDERSTAND THAT UNIDO PROGRAM/BUDGET SCHEDULED FOR EARLY ACABQ EXAMINATION. SUGGEST THAT US MEMBER INQUIRE PARTICULARLY INTO (A) JUSTIFICATION FOR PROPOSED INFLATION OF SENIOR POSTS IN UNIDO; (B) WHETHER SECRETARIAT HAS MADE ANY ATTEMPT TO IDENTIFY LOWER-PRIORITY ITEMS IN PREVIOUSLY PREPARED PROGRAM/BUDGET FOR POSTPONEMENT OF ELIMINATION IN LIGHT OF IMPORTANCE LDCS ATTACH TO EARLY FOLLOW-UP ON LIMA PLAN OF ACTION; (C) EXTENT TO WHICH UNIDO IS PROPOSING TO FINANCE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE TYPE ACTIVITIES FROM REGULAR BUDGET WHICH SHOULD MORE PROPERLY LOOK TO VOLUNTARY FUNDS SUCH AS UNDP.

6. COPY OF DRAFT ADDENDUM AIR POUCHED IO/CMD.DALE

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